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# BROWN BULB AND SEED RANCH

Capitola, California

Worth A. Brown R. R. Brown Dr. Allan K. Brown

Season of 1932



Part View of One of Our Lath Houses There Are Six Acres of These Begonia Houses on This Ranch

# SUMMER FLOWERING SPENCER SWEET PEA SEED Delivery in Fall 1932 and Spring of 1933

#### EARLY WINTER FLOWERING SPENCER SWEET PEAS

Prices for delivery in the Fall of 1932 will be sent on request. We grow the best of the older varieties and all of the newer sorts.

It is with greatest sorrow that we announce to our friends the death of James A. Brown, the founder of our organization and one of the pioneers of the industry in California.

The loss to the trade is great; the loss to ourselves is inestimable. Our greatest heritage is the host of friends that he has made for us and whom we intend to keep as our own, by maintaining his high ideals of quality and service.

Eastern seedsmen are invited to visit our farms when in California. Capitola is in Santa Cruz County, 80 miles south of San Francisco on the coast line of the Southern Pacific Railroad. Our "Home Ranch" and head-quarters are within one-half mile of Monterey Bay.

### **BULBS**

#### TUBEROUS ROOTED BEGONIAS

There are four recognized growers of Begonia bulbs in America. We are the oldest and largest of these growers. Our stocks were personally selected by our late Mr. James A. Brown, from Europe's best fields. Parts of three years were spent in England, Belgium, France and Germany for this purpose by Mr. and Mrs. Brown.

#### SINGLE

GIANT SINGLE FLOWERED. These often have flowers that measure 7 inches across. Plants grow as high as 18 inches. The flowers, of waxy texture, have a glowing sheen not fcund in any other flower. Many people consider the Begonia unsurpassed by any other flower.

Pink Beauty, Flesh-pink Red Giant, Bright red Mammoth Rose Crimoon King Scarlet Letter, Dazzling

Crimson King

Dark Blood Red Yellow Prince

scarlet Burnt Orange Giant Salmon Beauty

Price for any of above colors, or for all colors mixed per 100 bulbs:  $\frac{3}{4}$  to 1 inch diameter, \$3.50; to  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch, \$4.00; 1 to  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch, \$4.75;  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch, \$5.50;  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 inch, \$7.75; 2 to 3 inch, \$10.00.

#### DOUBLE

MAMMOTH DOUBLE FLOWERED. Colors—Pink, red, rose, white, yellow, crimson, orange, scarlet, dark blood-red, apricot. Price for any of above straight separate colors, or for all colors mixed, per 100: ¾ to 1 inch diameter, \$4.00; 1 to 1¼ inch, \$4.50; 1 to 1½ inch, \$5.25; 1¼ to 1½ inch, \$6.00; 1½ to 2 inch, \$9.00; 2 to 3 inch, \$12.00.

#### FRILLED

FRILLED AND RUFFLED EDGED GIANTS. Colors—Rose, light pink, white, yellow, bright red, dark red, orange or mixed. Price for any of above separate colors, or for all colors mixed, per 100: ¾ to 1 inch diameter, \$4.50; 1 to 1¼ inch, \$4.75; 1 to 1½ inch, \$5.75; 1¼ to 1½ inch, \$6.50; 1½ to 2 inch, \$9.50; 2 to 3 inch, \$13.00.

#### CRESTED AND FRILLED

OR CRESTED TUBEROUS-ROOTED BEGONIAS. They have RISTATA OR CRESTED TUBEROUS-ROOTED BEGONINS. They have solid cock's comb-like crested centers. Ruffle edge. Size about 4 inches across. New and very fine. Colors—Pink, red, rose, yellow, white or 9 colors mixed. Price for any of above straight colors or mixed, per 100: ¾ to 1 inch diameter, \$4.50; 1 to 1¼ inch, \$5.25; 1 to 1½ inch, \$6.00; 1¼ to 1½ inch, \$6.75; 1½ to 2 inch, \$10.00; 2 to 3 inch, \$14.00.

#### HANGING BASKET

TRAILING TUBEROUS-ROOTED BEGONIAS. Splendid for growing in hanging baskets or as individual specimens in pots where the branches drooping over the edges produce masses of attractive showy flowers. Price per 100: 1 to 1½ inch diameter, \$9.00; 1½ to 2 inch, \$11.00; 2 to 3 inch, \$15.00.



Colors are all double in following shades: Roses, White, Yellow and Orange. Also Mixed Doubles and Singles in all colors.

## FREESIA BULBS

For seventeen years we have supplied Freesia Bulbs to first class seedmen who depend upon us each year for this service. Our prices are neither the lowest nor the highest—but the quality of the bulbs we send out is always the best.

#### GENTINE PURITY FREESIAS

This is the genuine northern grown Purity, not the soft tissue paper type of Purity Freesia grown by many Southern California bulb growers. Florists know the difference in shipping and keeping quality.

				Pi	rice
				500	1000
3/8	to ½	inch	diameter	\$2.50	\$4.00
			"	3.00	4.80
	to %	inch	"	3.60	6.25
	inch		46	6.00	10.50
56	to 3/4	inch	**	7.25	12.75
3/4	to ¾ inch		4.6		18.00
34	to %	inch	and up	11.00	20.00

#### COLORED FREESIAS

#### Madium Siza Is Used by Florists

Medium Size is Used by Fiorists			
	Large	Forcing	Medium
	500	1000	1000
Giant Lavender (Pink) Improved strain	\$10.00	\$19.00	\$16.00
California or Yellow Prince, two large, clear yellow	15 00	29 00	25.00
Lavender Queen	17.00	32.00	27.00
Aurora, yellow and orange	-12.00	22.00	19.00
Carmencita, orange-salmon	14.00	26.00	22.00
General Pershing, pink	12.00	22.00	19.00
Olivette, carmine red	_ 19.00	35.00	30.00
Mrs. Marc Peters, red	25.00	45.00	40.00
Amethyst, blue	. 19.00	35.00	30.00
Illena, rose	19.00	35.00	30.00
Carrie Budan, lavender-pink	_ 19.00	35.00	30.00
Primrose Yellow	14.50	27.00	22.00
Butter Cup, dark yellow		19.00	16.00
Rainbow Mixture, all colors of freesias	11.00	20.00	17.00

#### TRITONIA CROCATA (Lapeyrousia Bulbs)

Sometimes called a Freesia. Very similar to Freesia. Has broader leaves and arger flowers. Color scarlet salmon and crange pink. Price, per 500, \$11.00; larger flowers. per 1000, \$20.00.

#### CALLAS

#### AETHIOPICA CALLA (The Old White Calla)

		Per 100
3 inch	circumference	\$4.00
3 to 4	inch "	5.50
4 to 5	inch "	8.00
5 to 6	inch "	12.00
6 to 8	inch "	15.00

#### GODFREY CALLA

	the common white Calla, but produces whiter blooms and
is a free bloomer. A	all blooming sizes the first year. Per 100
	\$5.00
2 to 2½ inch "	7.00
2½ to 3 inch "	9.00
3 to 4 inch "	11.00
3½ to 6 inch "	15.00

#### ELLIOTTIANA CALLA

		Calla, not the old Lemon Yellow. Fine for cut well outside if planted after danger of frost	
Delivery after C	october 1s	t. 50	100
1 to 1½ inch	diameter	\$4.75	\$8.00
1½ to 1¾ "		6.00	10.00
134 to 2 "	"	7.00	12.00
2 to 21/4 "	"	8.00	14.00
2¼ to 2½ "	"	9.75	17.00
2½ to 2¾ "	+4	11.25	20.00

#### SPOTTED LEAF WHITE CALLA

Richardia Alba Maculata
Green leaves with white spots the same as the yellow calla. Bulbs are the same type as yellow calla bulbs. Flowers are white. Sizes are the same as for yellow calla bulbs. Price 20% less.

BLACK CALLA. Very large jet black flowers. 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. diam. 10 for \$3.00  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 4 in. diam. 10 for \$4.00

#### BULBS—Continued

#### TRITELEIA

Triteleia Violacea. Each bulb produces a large number of blooming plants. The bulbs are about % to % size and resemble a Freesia bulb. The foliage is thick and of a nice green shade. Flowers are violet blue and star shape. Price, per 250, \$4.50; per 1000, \$16.00.

#### GRAPE HYANCINTHS

MUSCARI (Heavenly Blue) Sky-blue color. Price, per 500, \$9.00; per 1000, \$16.00.

#### WATSONIA

Similar to Gladiolus but spikes longer and have several spikes to each bulb. Size of bulbs 14 to 2 inches diameter. Delivery in July, August and September.

	100	500	1000
Andernei, pure white, very large		12.00	\$22.00
Angusta, bright scarlet		25.00	
Ansonia, light delicate rose		35.00	
Ed Sturtevant, brilliant orange		35.00	
Eunice, light salmon		35.00	
J. J. Dean, rose pink, deeper shading		35.00	
Victory, salmon red	7.50	35.00	

#### SCILLAS

The Scilla we grow is the new extra large flower	
Large Dark Blue500	for \$9.00; 1000 for \$16.00
Pure White500	for \$10.00; 1000 for \$18.00
Rose Pink500	for \$10.00; 1000 for \$18.00

#### REGALE LILIES

Long pointed quality bulbs. Hardy. Delivery September to May, inclusive,

				100	1000
3	to ·	4 inch	circumferenc	e\$2.00	\$15.00
4	to .	5 incl	۰۰ ۱	3.00	25.00
5	to	6 incl	٠٠ ١	5.00	40.00
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7	to	9 incl	ı "	10.00	90.00

#### MONTBRETIAS

	100	500
Fire King, red	_\$2.80	12.60
Aurantiaca, orange yellow		11.50
Californio, clear yellow		11.50
Golden West, golden yellow		13.50
Lord Nelson, large orange		18.00
Talisman, dark scarlet	3.00	13.50
Germania, red and yellow	2.80	12.60
King Edmund, yellow		18.00
Westwick, orange with yellow eye	4.00	18.00
All serts, mixed	2.25	10.00

#### GLADIOLUS BULBS

The following sorts are \$20.00 per 1000 and \$2.25 per 100 for first size. For second size they are \$16.00 per 1000 and \$1.85 per 100. Delivery almost any month. Crimson Glow, deep scarlet
E. J. Shayler, ruffled rose pink
Alice Tiplady, orange-apricot
Evelyn Kirkland, rose pink
Halley, salmon pink
Jack London, light salmon
Los Angeles shripm pink

Wilbrink, flesh pink, early
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Los Angeles, shrimp pink Le Marshal Foch, large, clear pink Gretchen Zang, rese tone pink

Mrs. r. Pendicton, deep ink Myra, salmon-pink, yellow throat Hesperia, orange-red Panama, large deep pink Prince of Wales, apricot-pink, early Wilbrink, flesh pink, early 1910 Rose, fine shade rose-pink Pose Ash ashes of roses large Rose Ash, ashes of roses, large Virginia, dazzling red, large

The following gladioli are priced at \$24.00 per 1000 for first size and \$2.75 per 100. In second size they are \$19.00 per 1000 and \$2.20 per 100.

Ida Van, largest, best, true orange Mrs. Dr. Norton, apple blossom pink Golden Measure, large golden yellow Schwaben, pure yellow-carmine blotch

Baron L. Smith, lavender, deep at edge Carmen Sylva, large snow white Souvenir, tall, solid, deep yellow

The following gladioli are priced at \$29.00 per 1000 and \$3.30 per 100 for first size. In second size they are \$23.00 per 1000 and \$2.70 per 100.

Dr. F. E. Bennett, peach-red, new Early Sunrise, red, salmon-yel, throat Glant Nymph, lt. rose pink, yel. throat Sunbeam, new, tall, clear yellow Mrs. Leon Douglas, rose-striped scarlet White Giant, largest white

W. H. Phipps, extra large pink with salmon Fay Lumphier, extra large coral-pink Scarlett, a scarlet not found elsewhere Giant Nymph, lt. rose pink, yel. throat Sunbeam, new, tall, clear yellow

### BULBS—Continued

### RANUNCULUS

_No. 1_	_N	o. 2—
000 1000 210 50 410 00	500 \$ 8.50 11.00 6.50 14.50	1000 \$15.00
Figrentine 13.75 25.00	11.00 6.50	19.50
Tecolote         8.25         14.00           Palestine         18.00         32.00	14.50	26.00
ANEMONES		
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St. Brigid\$10.50 \$18.50	\$ 8.00	\$14.00
Chrysanthaeflora 10.50 18.50 De Caen 7.75 13.50	$\frac{8.00}{6.50}$	$14.00 \\ 11.00$
IXIAS		
A fine mixture of colors	500 \$11.00	1000 \$20.00
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SPARAXIS	500	1000
Tricolor Mixed	\$9.80	\$18.00
BABY GLADIOLI		
The Bride, pure white	500 \$12.00	1000 \$20.00
Brilliant Red	14.00 14.00	$\frac{25.00}{24.00}$
Pink Perfection Improved Blushing Bride	15.50	29.00 29.00
French Lavender, earliest of all	13.50	25.00
IRIS BULBS		
Y A De ser en la de Maio	250	1000
Imperator, large, early, dark blue	\$7.50	$\begin{array}{c} \$27.00 \\ 22.90 \end{array}$
PAPER WHITE NARCISSI		
500 1000 1¼ to 1% inch diam\$7.50 \$13.50 1½ to 1% inch diam	500 \$13.50	1000 \$24.00
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GRAND SOLI D'OR		
"Golden Yellow, Paper White" 500 1000	500	1000
500 1000 1% to 1½ inch diam\$20.00 \$35.00 1½ to 1¾ inch diam 1¾ to 2 inch dlam28.00 45.00	\$23.00	\$40.00
CHINESE SACRED LILIES		
Large cluster of flowers. Grow in water or soil	l. <b>1</b> 00	1000
Round single nose	\$2.80	$1000 \\ $24.00$
Double nose	3.35	29.00
KING ALFRED DAFFODIL		
The largest all yellow Daffodil. Very early.	100	1000
Round single nose	_\$10.50 13.50	\$ 92.00 120.00
YELLOW DAFFODIL IN MIXTURE	_ 10.00	120.00
	100	1000
Round single nose	\$3.25 3.80	\$29.00 35.00
NARCISSI, ALL KINDS MIXED		
,	100	1000
Round single nose	\$2.25	\$25.00 30.00
ORANGE PHOENIX DAFFODIL		
Large double flowers of pure color.	4.00	1000
Round bulbs	100 \$10.00	1000 \$95.00

## **GLOXINIA BULBS**

Grown by us at Capitola. Prices for any of the following sorts or mixed. 34 to 1 inch diameter, per 100, \$8.00; 1-1½, \$12.00; 1½-2, \$15.00; 2 inch diameter and up, per 100, \$20.00.

King of Reds, dark red and scarlet Brown's Red, crimson Brunhilde, white Brown's White Brown's Pink Blue Bell, blue Spotted and Stained Hybrids, red, pink, and blue shades Violacea, violet Emperor Frederick, white, red edge
Emperor William, white, blue edge
Cyclopse, larger than Emp. Frederick
Princess Elizabeth, white, light blue
edge

Mixed—We do not grow mixed, but supply a mixture made of all the above named sorts.



#### BUCEPHALUS

A dark velvet red with picotee white penciled edge, profusely frilled. A rare type developed after several years of work. The leaves are extremely large. The blooming period is unusually lengthy, making it an excellent plant for display or home use. The photograph to the right will serve to illustrate the hardy character of the strain.

% to 1 inch, per 100 \_\_\_\_\$10.00

1½ to 2 inch, per 100 ---\$17.50 Our propagating stock has been selected and re-selected for over ten years. Original stock from U. S. Government exhibit and other leading strains of Vittata Hybrids.

BROWN'S GIANT HIPPEASTRUM. Perfect as pot plants inside during winter. Usually flower in early winter and late spring. Three to seven blooms to each spike. Blossoms often 8 inches across. Often 2 spikes to each bulb twice a year. Red, maroon, white, pink, salmon, cerise, dark blood-red, scarlet, rose, etc. Mixture only. Price for 2½ to 2¾ inches diameter, per 25, \$10.00; per 100, \$35.00. Price, diameter 2¾ to 3½ inches, per 25. \$15.00; per 100, \$50.00.

VITTATA HYBRID AMERICAN GIANT AMAYRLLIS. Reds with stripes; pink and white; white striped red, etc. Price, diameter 21/4 to 31/2 inches, per 25, \$8.00; per 100, \$25.00.

BROWN'S GIANT HIPPAESTRUM, in solid red shades. Price for 2¼ to 2¾ inches diameter, per 25, \$12.00; per 100, \$45.00. Price 2¾-3½ inches diameter, per 25, \$17.00; per 100, \$60.00.

#### ORNITHOGALUM (Star of Bethlehem)

An African bulb. Large clusters of pure white star-shaped flowers with a jet black center and a delightful perfume. They grow to a height of about two feet, are very attractive and are easily grown. Continue to bloom for several weeks. Price, per 100, \$2.00; per 1000, \$18.00.

#### NEW ALL WHITE ORNITHOGALUM

PURE WHITE. Imported by us direct from Africa. The only pure white stock in this country so far as we know. This sort keeps fresh as a cut flower longer than any flower. Shipped regularly by boat from Capetown to London cut flower markets. Price, per 100, \$4.00; per 1000, \$35.00

#### 19 YEARS

For over 19 years we have supplied America's leading seed dealers and jobbers with reliable Bulbs and Seeds. Orders placed with us assure of fresh new stock, true to name. If you are not now a customer of ours, let us show you what we can do for you this year.

Crop failure or any cause beyond our control releases us entirely from delivery.

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